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§8–701.

- (a) In this subtitle the following words have the meanings indicated.
- (b) “At-risk youth” means an individual who meets at least two of the eligibility criteria determined by the Department and an operator that may include:
  - (1) Being eligible for free or reduced price meals;
  - (2) A record of suspensions, office referrals, or chronic truancy;
  - (3) A failure to achieve a proficient or advanced level on State assessments in reading or mathematics, or both;
  - (4) Having a disability;
  - (5) A referral from a teacher, counselor, social worker, or community-based service organization;
  - (6) The head of household is a single parent;
  - (7) The head of household is not a custodial parent;
  - (8) The adjusted gross family income is below the federally established poverty guidelines;
  - (9) The family receives temporary cash assistance under the State Family Investment Program; or
  - (10) A member of the family has been incarcerated.
- (c) “Board” means the Board of Trustees of Residential Boarding Education Programs.
- (d) “Operator” means a private nonprofit or public entity that develops and operates a program.
- (e) “Program” means a residential boarding education program that includes:

- (1) A remedial curriculum for middle school grades;
- (2) A college-preparatory curriculum for high school grades;
- (3) Extracurricular activities such as athletics and cultural events;
- (4) College admissions counseling;
- (5) Health and mental health services;
- (6) Tutoring;
- (7) Community service opportunities; and
- (8) A residential student life program.

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